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For: **VIRTUAL ORTHODONTIC TREATMENT**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This response is a full and complete response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 10, 2006. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire October 10, 2006. As such a petition for a one-month extension of time is included with this paper.

In view of the following remarks, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow this application.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 27 – 54 are presented for reconsideration and further examination in view of the following remarks. Claims 1 – 26 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 27 – 44 and 48 – 54 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,471,511 to Chishti et al. (hereinafter referred to as “the Chishti et al. ‘511 patent”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,879,158 Doyle et al.